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**Sent**: 3/15/2023 4:50:25 PM

**To**: Smith, Emily J. [Smith.Emily@epa.gov]

**Subject**: RE: Question about dioxins recommended by Linda Birnbaum...

Will do, gladly!

From: Smith, Emily J. <Smith.Emily@epa.gov> Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 12:43 PM To: Gullett, Brian <Gullett.Brian@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Question about dioxins recommended by Linda Birnbaum...

Thanks for forwarding this, Brian. All media inquiries related to East Palestine are being coordinated by the EPA press office. I'll forward this to them and a press representative will reach out to the reporter to see how they can assist. Please let the media office take care of communicating with the reporter for now. If she reaches out to you again, let me know, as I can work with the press office to make sure she is getting the information she needs.

Thank you!

-Emily

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From: Gullett, Brian < Gullett.Brian@epa.gov > Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 12:17 PM To: Smith, Emily J. < Smith.Emily@epa.gov >

Subject: FW: Question about dioxins recommended by Linda Birnbaum...

Emily,

Please advise.

Note that I have no expertise on dioxins in water.

Thanks, Brian

From: Sharon Lerner < Sharon.Lerner@propublica.org>

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2023 9:14 AM **To:** Gullett, Brian < Gullett, Brian@epa.gov>

Subject: Question about dioxins recommended by Linda Birnbaum...

Hi Brian-

I'm a reporter from ProPublica who is considering writing about some water testing results from East Palestine. They show the presence of dioxins, but it's not clear to me that they're levels of concern. I'm happy to talk off the record. Linda told me to tell you that I am to be trusted and won't screw him over if you don't want to be quoted:)

Thanks,

Sharon

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